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LEGAL NOTICE

STATE OF LOUISIANA, OFFICE OF CONSERVATION, BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA.

In accordance with the laws of the State of Louisiana, and with particular reference to the provisions of Title 30 of Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, a public hearing will be held in the Hearing Room, 1st Floor, LaSalle Building, 617 North 3rd Street, Baton Rouge, Louisiana, at 9:00 a.m., on **TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2002,** upon the application of **O'BRIEN ENERGY COMPANY.**

At such hearing the Commissioner of Conservation will consider evidence relative to the issuance of an Order pertaining to the following matters relating to the **Lower Paluxy A Zone**, **Reservoir A**, **Lower Paluxy B Zone**, **Mooringsport A Zone**, **Hough Sand**, **Reservoir A and Youngblood Sand**, in the Minden Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana.

- 1. To create three (3) additional drilling and production units for the Lower Paluxy B Zone, to be designated as L PXY B SUC through L PXY B SUE as shown on the plat labeled Exhibit "A" submitted with the application.
- 2. Alternatively, with respect to the L PXY B SUD, to confirm that the unit created by Office of Conservation Order No. 457-1, effective May 1, 1960, for the Youngblood Sand was redesignated as a Lower Paluxy B Zone Unit (referenced herein as L PXY B SUD) and that the Youngblood Sand was recognized as part of the Lower Paluxy B Zone by Office of Conservation Order No. 457-K, effective March 16, 1961.
- 3. To dissolve the unit created by Office of Conservation Order No. 457-E, effective May 1, 1960 for the Hough Sand, Reservoir A.
- 4. Simultaneously with the dissolution of the Hough Sand unit referenced in 2 above, to establish rules and regulations and to create four (4) drilling and production units for the Lower Paluxy A Zone, Reservoir A, to be designated as L PXY A SUA through L PXY A SUD as shown on the plat labeled Exhibit "B" submitted with the application.
- 5. To create one (1) additional drilling and production unit for the Mooringsport A Zone, to be designated as MPT A SUE as shown on the plat labeled as Exhibit "C" submitted with the application.
- 6. To force pool and unitize all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within said units, with allocation of production from each unit well to the tracts within the unit therefor to be on the basis of surface acreage.
- 7. To designate O'Brien Energy Company as the operator of L PXY B SUC, L PXY B SUD, L PXY A SUA and L PXY A SUC.
- 8. To designate the following unit wells, at the locations shown on the plats submitted with the application, for certain of the proposed units:
 - O'Brien Energy Company L PXY B SUC; Winget 21 No. 1 Well
 - O'Brien Energy Company L PXY B SUD; Hough No. 1 Well
 - O'Brien Energy Company L PXY A SUA; Youngblood 21 No. 1 Well
 - O'Brien Energy Company L PXY A SUC; Winget 21 No. 1 Well

and to grant any exceptions to the 457-K Series of Office of Conservation Order which may be necessary with respect to such Unit Wells.

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9. To provide that any future wells drilled to, permitted for or completed in the Lower Paluxy A Zone, Reservoir A, shall be located no closer than 450 feet to any unit boundary and no closer than 900 feet from any other well completed in, drilling to, or for which a permit shall have been granted to drill to said zone and reservoir.

- 10. To amend the well spacing provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 457-K, effective March 16, 1961, and the Office of Conservation Order No. 457-K Series to provide that any future wells drilled to, permitted for or completed in the Lower Paluxy B or Mooringsport A Zones, shall be located no closer than 450 feet to any unit boundary and no closer than 900 feet from any other well completed in, drilling to, or for which a permit shall have been granted to drill to said zone and reservoir.
- 11. Except as my be in conflict herewith, to extend the provisions of Office of Conservation Order No. 457-K, effective March 16, 1961, to the units to be created hereby for the Lower Paluxy B and Mooringsport A Zones, respectively.
- 12. To consider such other matters as may be pertinent.

The Lower Paluxy A Zone, Reservoir A, in the Minden Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana is defined as that gas and condensate bearing interval (ELM) between the depths of 6647' and 7039' in the O'Brien Energy Company - Youngblood 21 No. 1 Well, located in Section 21, Township 19 North, Range 8 West, Less and Except the Hudson Sand, Reservoir A, as defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 457-F, effective September 1, 1960.

The Lower Paluxy B Zone and Mooringsport A Zone, in the Minden Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana, were fully defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 457-K, effective March 16, 1961.

The Hough Sand, Reservoir A, in the Minden Field, Webster Parish, Louisiana, was defined in Office of Conservation Order No. 457-E, effective May 1, 1960.

Plats are available for inspection in the Office of Conservation in **Baton Rouge** and **Shreveport**, Louisiana or may be found at the following site:

www.dnr.state.la.us/CONS/CONSEREN/hearings/pubhearings.htm.

All parties having interest therein shall take notice thereof.

BY ORDER OF:

FELIX J. BOUDREAUX COMMISSIONER OF CONSERVATION

Baton Rouge, La 2/22/02;2/27/02

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9275 IN WRITING WITHIN TEN (10) WORKING DAYS OF THE HEARING DATE.